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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR LICENSURE OF

Administrative Action

Rikancia Quettent

CONSENT ORDER

TO PRACTICE NURSING IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of Rikancia Quettent's application for licensure as a Registered Nurse (RN) by examination, including voluntary consent to a criminal history background check. Upon review of the results of the criminal history background check, the Board ascertained that the applicant was arrested on December 27, 2009, by the Wayne Township Police Department and charged with violating N.J.S.A. 2C:20-11(B)(1) (Shoplifting). On January 14, 2010, the applicant was found guilty in the Wayne Municipal Court and assessed fines and costs totaling four hundred five dollars (\$405.00).

The applicant failed to disclose this arrest and conviction on her application for licensure, answering "No" to the question on the license application which asked if she had ever been arrested and "No" to the question which asked if she had ever been found guilty of any

offense. The applicant expressed her deepest apology for not stating that she had an offense on her record and was not aware that it was still on it.

The applicant now acknowledges the arrest and conviction and provided a copy of the disposition from the municipal court. The applicant stated that since this incident she has not committed any offenses and cannot state enough how remorseful and embarrassed she feels.

The Board finds that the applicant misrepresented her criminal history on the application which constitutes a violation of $\underline{\text{N.J.S.A.}}$ 45:1-21(b).

The Board having reviewed this matter, and having considered the nature and timing of the above conduct, and the parties desiring to resolve this matter, and the Board having determined that the within Order is sufficiently protective of the public, in lieu of further proceedings, and for other good cause shown;

IT IS on this 264 day of October, 2015

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED that:

- 1. Rikancia Quettent's application for licensure as a Registered Nurse (RN) shall be granted upon proof of successful completion of the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurse (NCLEX-RN), Board review and approval of a completed application and compliance with paragraph two below.
 - 2. A civil penalty in the amount of five hundred dollars

(\$500.00) is hereby imposed upon the applicant for failing to disclose her arrest and conviction on her application. Payment shall be made by certified check, bank cashier check, or money order payable to "State of New Jersey," or by wire transfer, direct deposit, or credit card payment submitted contemporaneously with this signed Order. Any other form of payment will be rejected and will be returned to the party making the payment.

3. The applicant shall obey all the laws of the State of New Jersey, the United States and their political subdivisions, as well as all regulations, rules or laws pertaining to the practice of nursing in any State or jurisdiction in which she practices nursing.

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Ву:

Patricia Murphy, PhD, APN

Board President

I have read and understand the within Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms.